

### TOWN OF HOPKINTON 18 Main Street Hopkinton, MA 01748

# COVID-19 Updates & Precautions September 16, 2020 update

## Previous updates and additional information and resources can be found here:

https://coronavirus-hopkintonma.hub.arcgis.com/

Hopkinton Town Hall reopened to the public as of Monday August 10th. Appointments are required: <u>click here for more information</u>. All town departments are open for business. Many transactions can be completed online, and we are available via phone and email to assist during regular business hours. A full Town Directory can be <u>found here</u>. A box at the front door of Town Hall may be used to drop off correspondence, applications, etc., and they may also be mailed or emailed.

As of 9/15/20, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 140 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 0 of those cases are active, with 127 recoveries and 13 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard.

#### **Town Hall Reopening Plan:**

Town Hall is open to the public **by appointment only**. This is due to the state's COVID-19 limits on building occupancy. Click here for more information.

Massachusetts Department of Public Health COVID-19 weekly Public Health Report- NEW UPDATE
The Weekly COVID-19 Public Health Report includes enhanced, more granular information to be updated on a weekly, or biweekly basis, including town-by-town case and testing information, cases and deaths in Long Term Care Facilities, updates on nursing facility audit results, and more.

https://www.mass.gov/doc/weekly-covid-19-public-health-report-september-16-2020/download

### New ESRI map/app - COVIDPulse - NEW UPDATE

ESRI has released a new kind of spatial/temporal map showing the historical and current status of the COVID-19 virus in the US. COVIDPulse is a data-driven application showing trend lines of COVID-19 cases over time in US states and counties. You can zoom in on regions for more detailed information. Click here to be taken to the app.

#### Means-tested senior (tax) exemption program - NEW UPDATE

The deadline to submit the application for the Hopkinton Means Tested Senior Exemption is typically August 31st. Since some individuals may not have filed their State Tax Return yet (and the CB form that is a requirement for this exemption) we have extended the filing deadline this year to September 30, 2020 for the Means Tested Senior Exemption application. Click here for the application form. You may contact the Assessor's Office if you have any questions.

#### Travel Order - REMINDER

Effective August 1, 2020, all visitors and returning residents entering Massachusetts must follow new travel orders. There is a limited number (11) of "lower risk" states that are exempt, and that list was last updated on September 11th, 2020. Click here for more information.

#### **Stop the Spread - REMINDER**

The Stop the Spread program is intended to provide low barrier, free, and easy to access testing to all Massachusetts residents. Testing is available to all Massachusetts residents, and is not restricted to residents of the cities where sites are located. Testing is free, and you do not need to be showing any symptoms to be tested. Click here for more information.

#### **Hopkinton Public Library:**

Patrons can now schedule curbside pickup appointments online. After receiving notification that your holds are available, you can book a slot at <a href="https://www.picktime.com/hplib">https://www.picktime.com/hplib</a>. Pickups can also still be scheduled by phone at 508-497-9777, extension 1. <a href="https://www.picktime.com/hplib">Click here for more information</a>.

#### **Hopkinton Senior Center:**

The Senior Center has a limited take-out lunch program (Tuesday - Friday) for Hopkinton seniors, particularly those who are homebound and/or have relied on the Center for their daily main meal in the past. If you know of a senior who might benefit from this program please call the Senior Center at 508-497-9730. We have refreshed our menu - <a href="https://www.hopkintonma.gov/departments/senior\_center/announcements.php">https://www.hopkintonma.gov/departments/senior\_center/announcements.php</a> Cost is \$2 per meal.

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Hopkinton also posts frequently on social media. Our Twitter is the best place to keep up with all happenings Hopkinton. You don't need an account to see our twitter feed: https://twitter.com/HopkintonMA

Complete list of Emergency Orders and Guidance from Mass.gov https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-state-of-emergency